## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(43)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

March 6, 2007

FROM:

Murray A. Greenberg

County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** 

Resolution dedicating Water for People Week 2007 in memory of Robert A. Cuevas

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Natacha Seijas.

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Plea	se note any items checked.
·	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budge
	Budget required
: 	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 11(A)(43)
Veto		3-6-07
Override		
	RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION DEDICATING WATER FOR PEOPLE WEEK 2007 TO THE MEMORY OF ROBERT A. CUEVAS AND FURTHER DIRECTING THAT ALL MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS AND SUPPORT IN CONNECTION THEREWITH BE MADE IN THE NAME AND MEMORY OF ROBERT A. CUEVAS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution R-67-07, this Board declared the first week of April of each year to be "Water for People Week," and authorized County staff to coordinate with the American Water Works Association to support outreach, education and fundraising to improve the quality and sustainable supply of clean water, both locally and worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Cuevas served from 1985 to 1995 as Chief Engineer of the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department, and in that capacity completed a life-long career devoted to the delivery of safe drinking water for people; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Cuevas was an accomplished civil engineer who made concrete and significant contributions to innovative water delivery programs, including the design and installation of the first water treatment and distribution system in Paraguay, in the capital city of Asunción; participation in the early studies of the U.S. Public Health Service on the effects of nuclear radiation on water and sewer systems, at the Atomic Test Center in Yucca Flats, Arizona; the design and installation of the current pipeline under the Overseas Highway supplying water to the Florida Keys; and the final design of the Miami-Dade County Trans-Bay pipeline from the mainland to Virginia Key; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career Robert A. Cuevas received many professional honors in his chosen field, among them designation as a Senior Diplomate in the American Water

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Works Association, and selection to participate in the People to People Program between the United States and China, which provided for the exchange of engineering information between the two countries; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Cuevas, a 43-year resident of Key Biscayne, was married for 63 years to Elba Dayton Cuevas, was the father of First Assistant County Attorney Robert A. Cuevas, Jr., Josephine Cuevas-McNamara and Susan Marino, and had five grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert A. Cuevas passed away on February 2, 2007, and this Board wishes to honor his memory and his extraordinary contributions to public service,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby dedicates Water for People Week 2007 to the memory of Robert A. Cuevas, and further directs that all contributions and support from the efforts of Miami-Dade County and its officials and employees in connection therewith be made in the name and memory of Robert A. Cuevas.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Natacha Seijas and offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Carlos A. Gimenez
Joe A. Martinez
Dorrin D. Rolle
Katy Sorenson
Sen. Javier D. Souto

Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman
Dennis C. Moss
Natacha Seijas
Rebeca Sosa

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this  $6^{th}$  day of March, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

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Joni Armstrong Coffey